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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated April 1, 2009 issued in the above-identified application, Applicant hereby <u>elects</u>, without traverse, the claims of Group II (claims 21-37 and 39) for further examination in this application.

The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the outstanding Office Action identified above. Applicant awaits further action in this application.

Petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action of April 1, 2009. The fee for the one-month extension is enclosed with this submission. If the enclosed fee is deficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any

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deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith to the deposit account of Nixon & Vanderhye, Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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